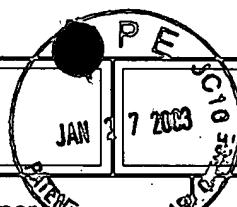


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Response to Office Action

Dear Sir:

This Response to Office Action is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2002, for the above-referenced patent application. A response to the Office Action is initially due on or before January 18, 2003. Since January 18, 2003 is a Saturday and Monday, January 20, 2003 is a federal holiday, this Response is being timely filed on Tuesday, January 21, 2003.